

REMARKS

In the application claims 1-41 remain pending. No claims have been cancelled and no further claims have been added.

In the Office Action, claims 1-41 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as being rendered obvious by the combination of Hayes (U.S. Published Application No. 2002/0140571) in combination with Teskey (U.S. Patent No. 6,747,568).

In response to this rejection of the claims, the undersigned declares that the subject matter set forth in Hayes and the subject matter of the claimed invention were, at the time the invention was made, owned by the same person or subject to an obligation of assignment to the same person, namely, Universal Electronics Inc. For this reason it is respectfully submitted that the rejection of the claims under 35 U.S.C. § 103 must be withdrawn. See 35 U.S.C. § 103(c).

It is further respectfully submitted that the cited art has been carefully reviewed and that none of this art, whether considered alone or in combination, and especially Hayes, can be said to include any teachings that might be said to anticipate or render obvious the claims of this application. For this still further reason it is respectfully submitted that the rejection of the claims must be withdrawn.

CONCLUSION

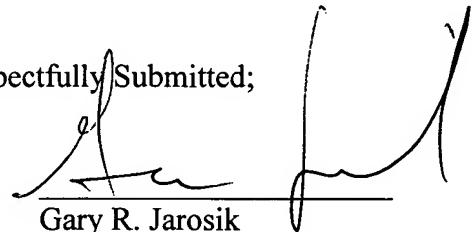
It is respectfully submitted that the application is in good and proper form for allowance. Such action of the part of the Examiner is respectfully requested. Should it be determined, however, that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of the subject application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the attorney undersigned.

While it is not believed that any fees are due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee deficiency to deposit account 50-2428 in the name of Greenberg Traurig.

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